GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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ELECTRONIC COURTS
ANANTRAO GUDHE;NAMDEO HARBAJI DIWATHE

Will the Minister of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are considering for setting up electronic courts with the objective of reducing time taken in disposal of cases;

(b) if so, details thereof;

(c) the present status of the same and reaction of the legal profession thereto; and

(d) the other innovative steps proposed for speeding award of justice and clearance of huge bulk of pending cases?

Answer

MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN)

(a),(b),(c) & (d): A Government delegation led by Minister for Information Technology had, during its visit to Singapore in March, 2000, visited computerized courts. The concept and the materials collected during the visit have been brought to the notice of the concerned authorities. National Informatics Centre (NIC) has developed and implemented Cause List of various High Courts. Interactive Voice Response System has been installed at Supreme Court for on-line inquiry of pending cases. NIC has further implemented District Court Information System in 430 District Courts in the country. Software `JUDIS-CD Version 2.0` using text based search of judgments of Supreme Court has been released for use by various legal professionals.